Treasury Department,

BUREAU OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., July 16, 1890, 189 .

The Superintendent, U. S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

I enclose herewith an extract from the report of Mr. Cabell Whitehead on the annual settlement of your mint, just completed.

Your attention is directed to the carelessness in the accounts of the medal clerk. I may say that there were numerous complaints of the manner of keeping the medal fund accounts prior to the change of the system which was instituted under my direction, and at my suggestion during the last administration, and it was hoped that when this new system went into vogue that there would be no further complaints of looseness of these accounts.

You are instructed to call the attention of the medal clerk to this matter, and to say to him that he should exercise great care and attention in the keeping of these accounts; that if at any time in the future I find that they are in an unsatisfactory condition I will order them to be put in charge of some other person.

I desire that you will look into the recommendation made by Mr. Whitehead, relative to the propriety of crediting the melter

and refiner with the minor coin ingots prepared by him instead of with the finished blanks as has been the practice.

It seems to me that this would be more in keeping with the natural system of accounts, and would make the minor coin accounts conform to the same system as the gold and silver bullion accounts. Of course, I refer only to minor coinage metal actually operated upon by the melter and refiner, and made into ingots, and not to the purchased blanks which you were orally instructed were not to pass through the melter and refiner's accounts.

Very respectfully,

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